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UTILITY PATENT APPLICATION TRANSMITTAL

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PATENT

Attorney Docket No.: P-8640.01

Express Mail No.: ELO84632534US

First Named Inventor or Application Identifier: William J. Bertrand

Title: **TOOL FOR ADJUSTING AN IMPLANTABLE ADJUSTABLE FLUID FLOW CONTROL VALVE**

CERTIFICATE UNDER 37 CFR SECTION 1.10: I hereby certify that this New Application Transmittal and the documents referred to as enclosed therein are being deposited with the United States Postal Service, in an envelope address "EXPRESS ELO84632534US" addressed to Box Patent Application, Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks, Washington, D.C. 20231, on this December 20, 2000.

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Sir:

We are transmitting the following:

☒ **Patent Application Transmittal**

☒ **Specification**

Total Pages: 26 (cover/title page 1 sheet; specification 18 sheets; claims 6 sheets; abstract 1 sheet)

☒ **Drawings**

Total Sheets: 6 (formal; ☒ informal)

☒ **Combined Declaration and Power of Attorney:**

 Newly executed (**Unsigned**)

☒ Copy from prior application

 Deletion of inventor(s) -- signed statement attached deleting inventor(s) named in the prior application (37 CFR 1.63(d)(2) and 1.33(b))

☒ Incorporation by reference -- *The entire disclosure of the prior application, from which a copy of the oath or declaration is supplied above is considered as being part of the disclosure of the accompanying application and is hereby incorporated by reference herein.*

☒ **Accompanying application parts:**

☒ Notification of filing a ☒ Continuation Divisional Continuation-in-Part

 Assignment of the invention to Medtronic, Inc.

 Assignment cover sheet

 Information Disclosure Statement

 PTO Form 1449

 Copies of IDS citations

 Preliminary Amendment

☒ A copy of the Petition or Condition Petition for Extension of Time in the prior application

☒ Return postcard

IF A CONTINUING APPLICATION:

☒ Continuation Divisional Continuation-in-Part
of prior application no. 09/270,540.

☒ Amend the specification by inserting before the first line the sentence: This application is a
 Continuation Divisional Continuation-in-Part of application number 09/270,540 filed 3/17/99

☒ Cancel in this application original claims 4-9 of the prior application before calculating the filing fee. (At least one of the original independent claims must be retained for filing purposes.)

☒ The prior application is assigned of record to Medtronic, Inc.


☒ The Power of Attorney in the prior application is to: Curtis D. Kinghorn.

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For: Tool for Adjusting an Implantable Adjustable Fluid Flow Control Valve

**NOTIFICATION OF FILING OF CONTINUING,
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